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FISHERY UPDATE



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JUNEAU HERRING UPDATE #6

The department conducted aerial surveys of Seymour Canal, Tenakee Inlet, and Lynn Canal today. Survey conditions were excellent with light winds and mostly sunny skies. In Seymour Canal, approximately 67 sea lions and one whale were observed. The majority of sea lions were scattered in small groups between the Rockgarden and #9 Rock. No herring or herring spawn was observed.

In Tenakee Inlet, approximately 116 sea lions and 8 whales were observed. The majority of the sea lions were in several large rafts near the mouth of Crab Bay and the whales were scattered in deeper water between Crab Bay and Corner Point. No herring or herring spawn was observed.

In Berners Bay, at least 75 sea lions and 4 whales were observed. Three whales and several small groups of sea lions were observed in the vicinity of Cascade Point; two rafts of inactive sea lions were floating near the river mouths and one group of at least 20 sea lions was observed very active and diving together near Cove Point on the northwestern shore of Berners Bay. No herring or herring spawn was observed.

The next aerial survey of the Juneau area is planned for Friday, April 26.

2013 Seymour Canal Survey Summary

April 15 No herring activity, 60 sea lions.
April 17 No herring activity, 68 sea lions.
April 19 No herring activity, 63 sea lions, one whale.
April 21 No herring activity, 104 sea lions, two whales.
April 23 No herring activity, 67 sea lions, one whale.

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